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Title: PERMANENT MAGNET ELECTRIC ROTATING MACHINE
AND ELECTROMOTIVE VEHICLE USING PERMANENT
MAGNET ELECTRIC ROTATING MACHINE

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

CONCISE EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

Japanese Publication No. 5-292688 illustrates a permanent magnet rotor.

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Japanese Publication No. 8-205436 illustrates a permanent magnet rotor.

Japanese Publication No. 8-256440 illustrates a permanent magnet rotor of a synchronous rotating electric machine.

Japanese Publication No. 7-11858 illustrates a rotor of a permanent magnet electric machine.

Japanese Publication No. 7-20050 illustrates a rotor of a permanent magnet electric machine.

Concurrently herewith, Applicants are submitting a Request for Continued Examination and accordingly, the present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, and therefore no statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is required.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

If necessary, the paper should be considered as a petition for consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d)(2) and that the petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) in accordance with 37 C.F.R.

§1.97(d)(3) should be charged to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #381NP/43816CO).

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